

R.61-63, Radioactive Materials (Title A) – Final Amendment

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Summary |

The federal Atomic Energy Act of 1954 enables the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (“Commission”) to enter into agreements with state governors allowing for state regulation of byproduct, source, and special nuclear material. 42 U.S.C. Section 2121. The Commission enters into such agreements if it finds the state regulatory program complies with applicable federal regulations. *Id.* To renew South Carolina’s ongoing agreement with the Commission, the Department proposes amendments to R.61-63 for compliance with the Commission’s federal regulatory updates. The proposed amendments add clarifications or corrections to Part II of the regulation. Additionally, the proposed amendments authorize the Department to review their general licensees’ quality assurance program for the use of Commission-approved Type B packaging for transportation of radioactive material as required in NRC Regulation Title 10, Code of Federal Regulation (“CFR”) Part 71.

The Administrative Procedures Act, S.C. Code Section 1-23-120(H)(1), exempts these amendments from General Assembly review, as the Department proposes these amendments for compliance with federal law.

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R.61-79, Hazardous Waste Management Regulations – Proposed Amendment

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Summary |

The Department amends R.61-79 to adopt two Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) rules published in the Federal Register. The EPA has given authorized states, including South Carolina, the discretion to adopt these rules as they will make existing standards less stringent and provide more flexibility to the regulated community. The “Safe Management of Recalled Airbags” interim final rule, published on November 30, 2018, at 83 FR 61552-61563 creates a conditional exemption from Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (“RCRA”) requirements for certain entities that collect airbag waste from automobiles. The “Universal Waste Regulations: Addition of Aerosol Cans” final rule published on December 9, 2019, at 84 FR 67202-67220 reduces regulatory burdens on businesses that generate, manage, and dispose of aerosol cans. The Department also revises the R.61-79 to make corrections for clarity and readability, grammar, punctuation, codification, and other such regulatory text improvements.

The Administrative Procedures Act, S.C. Code Section 1-23-120(A), requires General Assembly review of these proposed rules.

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R.61-79, Hazardous Waste Management Regulations – Final Amendment

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Summary |

The Department amends R.61-79, Hazardous Waste Management Regulations, to adopt the Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) final rule “Management Standards for Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals and Amendment to the P075 Listing for Nicotine,” published on February 22, 2019, at 84 FR 5816-5950. The rule creates new standards for the management of hazardous waste pharmaceuticals by healthcare facilities and reverse distributors in lieu of the existing generator regulations and reduces regulatory burdens for over-the-counter Food and Drug Administration (“FDA”)-approved nicotine replacement therapies.

The Administrative Procedures Act, S.C. Code Ann. Section 1-23-120(H)(1), exempts these amendments from General Assembly review, as the Department proposes the amendments for compliance with federal law.

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R.61-107.4, Solid Waste Management: Compost and Mulch Production from Land-clearing Debris, Yard Trimmings and Organic Residuals – Proposed Amendment

State Register Document No. 5003

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Summary |

Pursuant to S.C. Code Sections 44-96-10 *et seq*, it is the responsibility of the Department to promulgate regulations establishing standards for the management of yard trash and land-clearing debris, and for the production of compost. The proposed amendments improve environmental protection, ensure adequate, but not burdensome, financial assurance to close facilities that cease operating, provide clarity for permit exemptions, update operational criteria, and correct typographical and other similar errors. The Administrative Procedures Act, S.C. Code Section 1-23-120(A), requires General Assembly review of these proposed amendments.

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Summary |

During the 2018 legislative session, the General Assembly passed Act 170 (“Act”), which revised the South Carolina Solid Waste Policy and Management Act of 1991. The Act codified language at S.C. Code Ann. Section 44-96-360 *et seq.*, which establishes conditions for facilities that process or recycle construction and demolition debris.

The Department proposes a new regulation to address and implement provisions of the Act to regulate facilities that process or recycle construction and demolition debris. This new regulation, R.61-107.20, will establish requirements including registration, permitting, location, operation, and reporting requirements for construction and demolition debris processing and recycling facilities. The regulation will also address the applicability of the regulation and will clarify exemption requirements. For facilities that fail to adhere to proper procedures, the regulation will address penalties and establish procedures for the revocation or suspension of a permit.

The Administrative Procedures Act, S.C. Code Ann., Section 1-23-120(A), requires General Assembly review of this new regulation.

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